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In re application of:

Darrel Drinan et al.

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Examiner: Mark A. Rademacher

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Petition To Reset the Period for Reply to the Office Action

Dear Mr. Rademacher:

Thank you for discussing the status of the patent application with me today. As we discussed, I am requesting to have the period for reply reset in the Office Action dated February 12, 2003 in conjunction with the submittal of the Response to Office Action, attached herewith.

On March 31, 2003, our office received the referenced office action requiring an election to a restriction requirement by March 12, 2003 without incurring extra costs. As I had mentioned in our phone conversation, the correspondence address listed on the office action is correct. We do not know the reason for the delay, but request now that the action be reset to take this delay into consideration.

Thank you for your help. I appreciate your willingness to work with me on this matter. If I can be of any assistance, please contact me at the phone number or address below.

Respectfully submitted,

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